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2016 Keep North Dakota Clean Contest Winners

Keep North Dakota Clean (KNDC) is proud to partner with Newman Outdoor Advertising to announce the state winners of the 48th Keep North Dakota Clean Poster and Digital Media Contests. First, second, and third place winners, as well as teachers and immediate families, will be recognized at an awards ceremony at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 22, at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Washburn. Following a noon luncheon, everyone will receive free admission to the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center and Fort Mandan. There will be educational programs held for the participants in the afternoon.

KNDC is the largest and longest running poster contest in the state. More than 12,000 students learned about protecting the environment by keeping North Dakota clean for the people who live and visit here. Students in grades PreK-8 and special needs produced posters reflecting the need to keep water clean, reduce waste, prevent wildfires, recycle, plant trees, create wildlife habitat, and explore our beautiful state. The Digital Media Contest for high school students focused on a video clip to promote Keep North Dakota Trails Clean.

All first place state winners receive a gold medallion, certificate, and \$100 cash award. First place poster winners get their artwork turned into a billboard and placed along a major transportation route near their hometown by Newman Outdoor Advertising. Second and third place winners receive a silver or bronze medallion, certificate, and \$75 or \$50 cash award.

The 2016 winners include:

TOWN	NAME	PLACE	GRADE	SCHOOL
Arnegard	Ella Grace Carelock	2	PreK	Watford City Elementary
Belcourt	HS Team	1	HS	Turtle Mtn. Community HS
Belcourt	Colten Birkland			
Belcourt	Alexis Davis			
Belcourt	Laney Trottier			
Belfield	Payton Holzer	2	Special Needs	Belfield School
Belfield	Makayla Mohler	3	Special Needs	Belfield School
Belfield	Katie Sjogren	1	Special Needs	Belfield School
Bismarck	Brooklyn Brendel	3	5	Rita Murphy Elementary
Bismarck	Charlie Eastgate	3	1	Centennial Elementary
Bismarck	Lindsay Dawson	2	7	Horizon Middle School
Bismarck	Elizabeth Eggl	2	8	Wachter Middle School
Bismarck	Aspen Eslinger	2	4	Sunrise Elementary
Bismarck	Ainsley Johnson	1	2	Sunrise Elementary
Bismarck	Elizabeth Sikes	3	2	Martin Luther School

Bismarck	Jenna Streifel	1	1	Centennial Elementary
Bismarck	Lizzie Tkach	1	7	Wachter Middle School
Cooperstown	Madison Feiring	3	6	Griggs County Central
Dickinson	Blake Peters	1	3	Trinity Elementary West
Fargo	Noelle Freeman	1	8	Sullivan Middle School
Fargo	Sophia Welsand	2	6	Sullivan Middle School
Finley	Kennadie Linster	1	PreK	Finley-Sharon School
Jamestown	Christopher Saylor	3	8	Hillcrest SDA Elementary
Killdeer	Tucker Bohmbach	2	1	Killdeer Elementary
LaMoure	Wyatt Meisch	1	6	LaMoure Public School
Lignite	HS Team	3	HS	Burke Central High School
Lignite	Jay Blankenship			
Lignite	Robert Cooper			
Lignite	Maria Smart			
Lignite	HS Team	2	HS	Burke Central High School
Lignite	Maeis Avila			
Lignite	Jay Baumann			
Lignite	Aleyah Fettig			
Lignite	Disa Koppelsloen			
Linton	Daniel Schumacher	3	7	Linton Public School
Moffit	Anna Duckwitz	1	4	Homeschool
Mohall	Ainsley Enders	2	5	Mohall-Lansford-Sherwood
New Rockford	Tillie Swart	3	3	New Rockford-Sheyenne School
Park River	Abby Borgeson	2	1	Park River Elementary
Turtle Lake	Morgan Fischer	3	4	Turtle Lake-Mercer School
Valley City	Cheska Flores	2	3	St. Catherine's School
Valley City	Espen Kunze	1	5	St. Catherine's School
Watford City	Maycie Lass	3	PreK	Watford City Elementary

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If you have a student(s) from your servicing area, please contact them at their school for more information, and take a photo of them to include along with this information.

All winning posters have been posted on the web site www.Keep-ND-Clean.org. If you desire a jpg of the original winning poster(s), contact Pam Wenger at pwenger@nd.gov or Sara Helm at shelm@nd.gov.